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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Jean-Richard NEESER et al.

Confirmation No: 6562

Application No.: 09/779,596

Group Art Unit: 1652

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Examiner: Kathleen M. Kerr

For: INCORPORATION OF EXOGENOUS
LACTIC BACTERIA INTO THE ORAL
MICROFLORA

Attorney Docket No.: 88265-406

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 5, 2004, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for entry into the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks being on page 7 of this paper.

Also submitted herewith is a petition for extension of time with fee authorization. No additional fees are believed due for this submission. If any additional fees are due, however, please charge the required fees to Winston & Strawn LLP Deposit Account No. 50-1814.